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<b>Office Action Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b> 10/595,751	<b>Applicant(s)</b> KORST ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b> ERIC LOONAN	<b>Art Unit</b> 2189	

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### Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

### Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 25 June 2008.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

### Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-11 and 13 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 9-11 and 13 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

### Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 09 May 2006 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

### Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All    b) ☐ Some \*    c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

### Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)                     | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)           |
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### **DETAILED ACTION**

This Office Action is based on application 10/595,751 filed 9 May 2006. **Claims 1-11 and 13** are currently pending and have been considered below.

#### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112***

1. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

2. **Claim 11** is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement. The claim(s) contains subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention. Applicant's specification does not define a "computer readable medium" as declared as a claim limitation.

#### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

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4. **Claims 9, 10, and 13** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Van Der Brug (US PGPub 2006/0204215)

5. **Claim 9:** Van Der Brug teaches a circuit for retrieving data objects stored in a storage device organised in allocation units, the circuit comprising a processing unit (Fig 1, 124).

6. **Claim 10:** Van Der Brug teaches an apparatus (Fig 1, 110) for rendering of audiovisual data, comprising a memory for storing audiovisual data (Fig 1, 118), the circuit according to claim 9 for retrieving audiovisual data from the memory (Fig 1, 124) and means for rendering the retrieved audiovisual data (Fig 1, 130).

7. **Claim 13:** Van Der Brug teaches a programmed computer enabled to execute the method according to claim 1 (Fig 3, 300).

### ***Allowable Subject Matter***

8. **Claims 1-8 and 11** are allowable over prior art for reasons as stated in applicant's remarks submitted 25 June 2008.

### ***Response to Arguments***

9. Applicant's remarks submitted 25 June 2008 in response to Office Action mailed 9 January 2008 have been fully considered below.

#### **Specification Objection**

10. Applicant has amended the title of the invention. The Examiner finds that the amended title is sufficiently descriptive and removes the previous objection.

Claim Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101

11. Applicant has amended Claim 11 to include a “computer readable medium”. The Examiner finds that the amendment resolves Examiner’s rejection under this section regarding non-statutory matter. However, a new rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112 has been entered for the amended claim due to the introduction of new matter.

Claim Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

12. Applicant argues that the prior art of record fails to teach retrieving objects based on the fragmentation of two data objects, and argues that the prior art of record retrieves objects on the basis of proximity.

13. The Examiner agrees with applicant’s remarks for Claims 1-8. After further search and consideration, the Examiner finds the claim limitations allowable over prior art. Prior art rejections of Claims 9, 10, and 13 have been maintained due to reasons set forth in MPEP 2112.01(I). The Examiner maintains that the circuit, apparatus, and programmed computer as claimed in Claims 9, 10, and 13 are substantially identical in structure to the prior art of record. Therefore, applicant’s claimed invention of Claims 9, 10, and 13 are anticipated by Van Der Brug.

***Conclusion***

14. **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL.** Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within

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TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to ERIC LOONAN whose telephone number is (571)272-6994. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 7:30am-5:00pm EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Reginald Bragdon can be reached on (571) 272-4204. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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